

Court House  
Eutaw, Alabama  
GREENE Co.

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PHOTOGRAPHS  
WRITTEN HISTORIC AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA  
DISTRICT NO. 16

Historic American Buildings Survey  
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COURT HOUSE  
Eutaw, Greene County, Alabama.

Ownership:

Present Owner: Greene County.

Previous Owners: Greene County.

Date of Erection: 1840.

Architect: Unknown.

Builder: John V. Crossland

Present Condition: Excellent.

Number of Stories: Two.

Materials of Construction: Two story brick masonry;  
first floor concrete flooring; second floor wood flooring;  
small balcony to the front.

Other Existing Records:

See: Greene County Democrat, June 12, 1931. \*

"COURT HOUSE AT EUTAW, ALABAMA"

By J. K. Smith.

Additional Data: This building was authorized  
by Legislature of 1838.

From records in the Probate Office of Greene County, and other sources, some interesting information and circumstances concerning the selection of Eutaw as the second "Seat of Justice" for Greene County is gathered. Dissatisfaction with the first County Seat, Erie arose, agitation for removal reached such a point that the County Court composed of William B. Street, Judge, and John Nelson, John J. Harvey, Simeon Maxwell and Daniel G. Rencher ordered an election to determine the issue. The result of the election was-- "For Removal" 985 votes. "For no Removal" 893 votes.- and as a result in October 1838, the site of the present location of Eutaw, was selected as the "Seat of Justice," for Greene County.

The first Court House in the town was built by John V. Crossland, in 1839 - 40.

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Montgomery, Alabama.

Greene County Democrat.  
Eutaw, Alabama.

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